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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c), filed October 20, 2010, to accept the unintentionally delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This patent expired on October 10, 2010 for failure to pay the three (3) and one-half year maintenance fee. Since this petition was submitted within twenty-four months after the sixmonth grace period provided in 37 CFR 1.362(e), the petition was timely filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.378(c).

The maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-4231.

The patent file is being forwarded to Files Repository.

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